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1. "The whole communications system in the area between Pila (Schneidemuhl), Poznan and Kostrzyn (Kuestrin) has been undergoing construction during spring 1953.
2. "Prior to World War II the highway Pila-Ujscie-Czarnkow-Wronki was merely a local road link. It has been turned into a first-class highway. It has been connected with another highway which runs from Rogozno via Czarnkow to Trzcianka (Schoenlanke). The construction of this road created a by-pass north of Poznan for the East-West communication line. After completion of the bridges in Pila and Ujscie --the latter is very near completion -- another bridge will be built over the Notec River at Czarnkow. The earthworks for this bridge have been already completed. Several houses had to be torn down to eliminate a curve in the approach. Construction has started on two pillars in the river.
3. "In May 1953 two SP companies were sent to Czarnkow to speed up the construction work. They joined the special workers' brigade of about 200 men.
4. "On the far side of the Notec River, opposite Czarnkow, the hill near the village of Zofiewo (Sophienberg) has been levelled for the construction of new military barracks. The pre-World War II barracks were located nearer the river."

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